

Sanpete County Profile

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, fewer people lived in Sanpete County in 1990 than in 1900. However, the 90s and the new century showed the rebirth of population expansion in the county as individuals fled the Wasatch Front. In just 17 years, the county's population expanded by more than 61 percent.

While the county's economy continues to diversify, government and

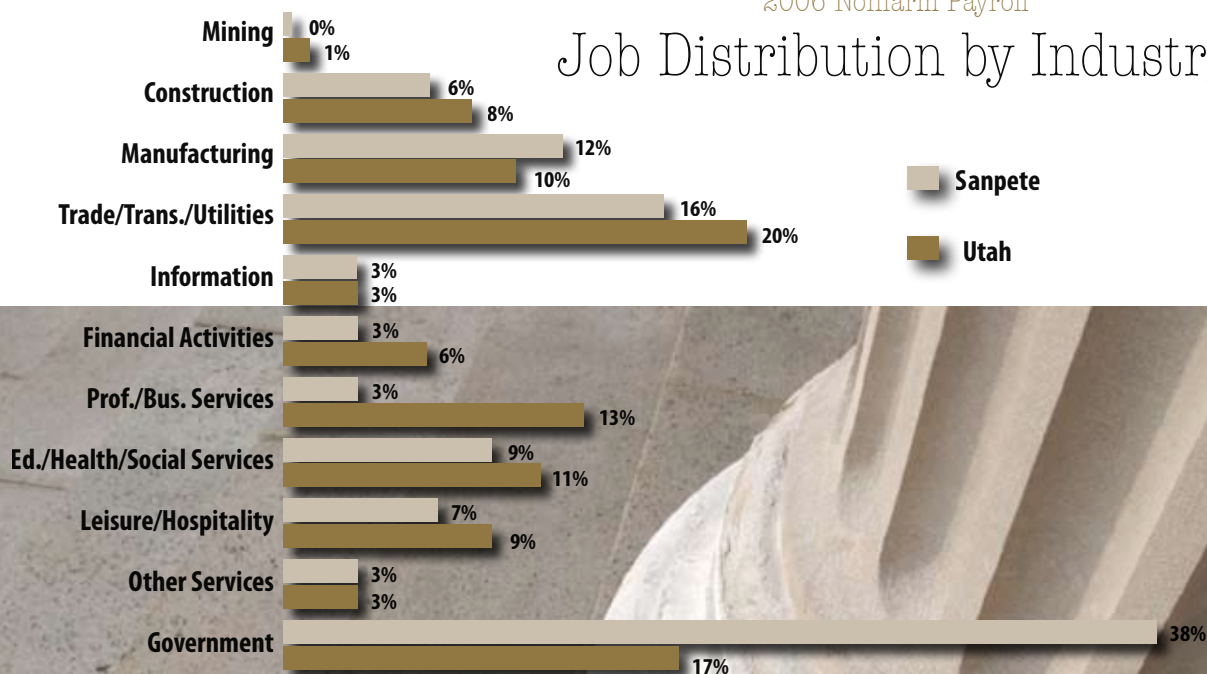
agriculture play major roles. Government employment accounts for almost 40 percent of the county's nonfarm employment compared to less than 20 percent statewide. Snow College, the regional prison, and two school districts pump up the county's public sector employment. Interestingly, Sanpete County also maintains a higher percentage of manufacturing employment than does the state as a whole—an unusual situation for a nonur-

ban county. Since 2000, Sanpete County has had trouble achieving the moderate economic growth of many of its peers. It has even suffered through several years of job loss. However, recent employment growth suggests that it may be on the verge of breaking into a higher level of economic activity. ⓘ

For more information about Sanpete County, see: <http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utalmis/gotoCounties.do>

2006 Nonfarm Payroll

Job Distribution by Industry



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services